



Docket No. 55218.0519 (P9220-US-CIP-1)

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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| In re Application of: | : | Confirmation No.: 3062 |
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| Thomas Markson, et al. | : | Group Art Unit: 2157 |
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| Serial No.: 09/885,290 | : | Examiner: Gregory G. Todd |
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| Filed: June 19, 2001 | : | |
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| For: VIRTUAL STORAGE LAYER APPROACH FOR | : | |
| DYNAMICALLY ASSOCIATING COMPUTER | : | |
| STORAGE WITH PROCESSING HOSTS | : | |

SUBMISSION WITH AMENDMENT AND REMARKS IN REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION TO ACCOMPANY REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Mail Stop RCE
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed **November 1, 2006**, the shortened statutory period for which ran until **February 1, 2007**, and for which a 1 month extension of time is hereby requested, along with payment of the enclosed fee, to extend the deadline for response to **March 1, 2007**.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

There are no Specification Amendments. There are no Drawings Amendments.

Claim Amendments and Remarks are presented on separate sheets as indicated below:

- Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2.
- Remarks begin at page 18.

The Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments and reconsideration of the application in light of the remarks.